WASHINGTON- Congressman Spencer Bachus, responding to concerns by Jefferson County officials, secured \$100,000 in federally appropriated funding for the Jefferson County Sheriff's Office. The Sheriff's Office was selected as one of the recipients for a grant under the Law Enforcement Technology Program to purchase new technology and modernize equipment.

"I am pleased that the Sheriff's department will benefit from these important technological upgrades that will allow them to better serve the people of Jefferson County", said Congressman Bachus.

The Jefferson County Commission was instrumental in presenting the county's need for upgrading the in-car communication systems of the Sheriff's department to Congressman Bachus. The Congressman was able to secure funds for Jefferson County under the 2004

Commerce, Justice, State, and Judiciary appropriations bill.